Monitoring and Evaluation Programs at Lwala Community Alliance

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Background

Lwala Community Alliance (LCA) is a data-driven non-profit organization with a mission to build the capacity of rural communities in Western Kenya to advance their own comprehensive wellbeing.

The continual, diligent monitoring and evaluation of LCA’s program interventions is essential in order to fulfill its mission.

Objectives

- Investigate the quality and content of training Lwala Community Health Workers (CHW) receive and how that translates into maternal/child health (MCH) outcomes via data collection
- Improve skill in monitoring and evaluation processes to inform future programming
- Gain practice in communication and collaboration on an interprofessional team of doctors, researchers, and the community to provide effective, sustainable care

Outcomes

Completed Documents
- CHW study protocol
- Monitoring and Evaluation plan standardization protocol
- Annual Nutrition Household Survey

Additional Contribution
- Served as focus group enumerator
- Contributed to a committee researching innovative programing technologies
- CHW trainings
- Nutritional information groups for breastfeeding mothers
- MCH outreaches
- After school health clubs/uniform fittings

Discussion

Through working on a variety of projects, I was able to engage in each portion of LCA’s “Community Led Health Model” and develop invaluable skills in collaboration and program evaluation to assist in advancing the mission of LCA.

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